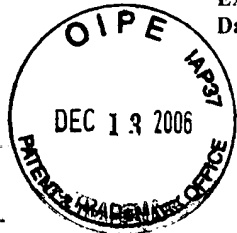


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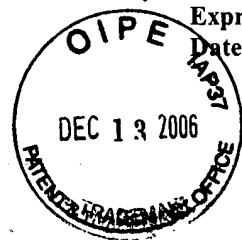
Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application are the following documents:

1. Communication Regarding Entity Status (3 pages);
2. Check No. 23490 as payment for adjusted fees for large entity status; and
3. Return Postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, referencing Attorney Docket No. 23239-547. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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COMMUNICATION REGARDING ENTITY STATUS

Applicants, in good faith and without any deceptive intent, established small entity status in the above-identified application and paid fees as a small entity. However, Applicants have since discovered that small entity status was established in error in the instant application. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)(1)-(c)(2), Applicants submit herein an itemization and deficiency payment resulting from the previous payment of small entity fees.

Itemization of the Deficiency Payment is presented on page 2 of this paper

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

Adjustment date: 12/18/2006 SLUANG1
01/28/2004 JBALINAN 00000071 10762915
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Itemization of the Deficiency Payment:

Type of Fee	Current Fee Amount for Non-Small Entity	Small Entity Fee Actually Paid	Date of Payment	Deficiency Owed
Basic Filing Fee	\$790.00	\$385.00	January 21, 2004	\$405.00
Utility Search Fee	\$500.00	\$0		\$500.00
Utility Examination Fee	\$200.00	\$0		\$200.00
Utility Application Size fee (Specification, Figures and Sequence Listing, 173 pages total)	\$250.00 x 2 (\$500.00)	\$0		\$500.00
Independent Claims In Excess of 3	\$200 x 4 (\$800)	\$172.00	January 21, 2004	\$628.00
Total Claims	\$50.00 x 19 (\$950)	\$171.00	January 21, 2004	\$779.00
Surcharge - Late Filing Fee or Oath or Declaration	\$130.00	\$65.00	May 24, 2004	\$65.00
Total Deficiency Payment Owed:				\$3,077.00

